

IN THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-30 are presented below, with claims 19-30 pending. As shown below, claims 1, 3-4, 6-7, and 9-18 have been canceled, and new claims 19-30 have been added.

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1. – 18. (Canceled)

19. (New) An information processing apparatus including a graphic user interface for displaying windows on a display panel and being capable of selecting an application program among a plurality of application programs, the apparatus comprising:

an imaging unit for capturing an image of an object;

a detector adapted to detect an operation related to processing of said image captured by said imaging unit; and

a controller for activating an application program corresponding to said operation detected by said detector;

wherein said detector detects a first operation by detecting a first position of an operation member, and detects a second operation by detecting a second position of said operation member;

said controller activates a first application program for capturing said image through said imaging unit in response to said detector detecting said first operation and said controller displays said captured image as long as said detector detects said operation member is in said first position, said image displayed with priority over any other image or application displayed on said display pane; and

said controller activates a second application program related to recording image data related to said image captured by said imaging unit in response to said detector detecting said second operation.

20. (New) The information processing apparatus according to claim 19, wherein said controller causes a still image captured by said imaging unit to be displayed if said first application program relates to capturing still images.

21. (New) The information processing apparatus according to claim 19, wherein if said first application program for capturing said image is not active when said detector detects said first operation, said controller boots said first application program in response to said detector detecting said first operation.

22. (New) The information processing apparatus according to claim 19, wherein said controller begins recording said image captured by said imaging unit in response to said detector detecting said second operation a first time and stops said recording in response to said detecting means detecting said second operation a second time.

23. (New) An information processing method for use with a graphic user interface for displaying windows on a display panel and being capable of selecting an application program among a plurality of application programs, the method comprising:

capturing an image of an object;

detecting an operation related to processing of said image captured by said imaging unit;
and

activating an application program corresponding to said detected operation;

wherein a first operation is detected by detecting a first position of an operation member,
and a second operation is detected by detecting a second position of said operation member;

a first application program for capturing said image is activated in response to detecting
said first operation and said captured image is displayed as long as said operation member is
detected to be in said first position, said image displayed with priority over any other image or
application displayed on said display pane; and

a second application program related to recording image data related to said captured
image is activated in response to detecting said second operation.

24. (New) The information processing method according to claim 23, wherein a still image is
captured to be displayed if said first application program relates to capturing still images.

25. (New) The information processing method according to claim 23, wherein if said first
application program for capturing said image is not active when said first operation is detected,
said first application program is booted in response to detecting said first operation.

26. (New) The information processing method according to claim 23, wherein said captured
image begins to be recorded in response to detecting said second operation a first time and stops
being recorded in response to detecting said second operation a second time.

27. (New) A storage medium for storing a program in a manner readable by an information processing apparatus for use with a graphic user interface for displaying windows on a display panel and being capable of selecting an application program among a plurality of application programs, the program allowing said information processing apparatus to execute an information processing method comprising:

capturing an image of an object;

detecting an operation related to processing of said image captured by said imaging unit;

and

activating an application program corresponding to said detected operation;

wherein a first operation is detected by detecting a first position of an operation member, and a second operation is detected by detecting a second position of said operation member;

a first application program for capturing said image is activated in response to detecting said first operation and said captured image is displayed as long as said operation member is detected to be in said first position, said image displayed with priority over any other image or application displayed on said display pane; and

a second application program related to recording image data related to said captured image is activated in response to detecting said second operation.

28. (New) The storage medium according to claim 27, wherein a still image is captured to be displayed if said first application program relates to capturing still images.

29. (New) The storage medium according to claim 27, wherein if said first application program for capturing said image is not active when said first operation is detected, said first application program is booted in response to detecting said first operation.

30. (New) The storage medium according to claim 27, wherein said captured image begins to be recorded in response to detecting said second operation a first time and stops being recorded in response to detecting said second operation a second time.